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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

Release 2/3/59

Week Ending 2/2/59

WEATHER The week was cold and cloudy, with little precipitation over the northern portion of the state, but moderate snows fell over the southern portion. Most of the snow fell in the southwest early in the week, and in the southeast during the latter part. There was about the usual amount of wind.

CROPS Recent snowfall was beneficial in a number of southern counties where drifting was light. Dry sections of central and northeastern Nebraska received only a trace to an inch or so of snow and much of this was blown into fence rows, roadsides and draws. Additional moisture in the southwest and parts of the southern Panhandle maintained the favorable outlook for winter grain crops in those areas. The situation in southeastern counties was somewhat improved following the snows of the last 2 weeks, especially in fields where vegetative cover held the snow. Central, some eastern and northeastern counties remain critically dry with only light relief so far this winter. Some fields of fall sown crops have killed out in this area; others have uncertain or dim prospects. Numerous inquiries have been made about replanting or patching winter wheat fields with spring wheat. Pasture and hay fields in the area need moisture.

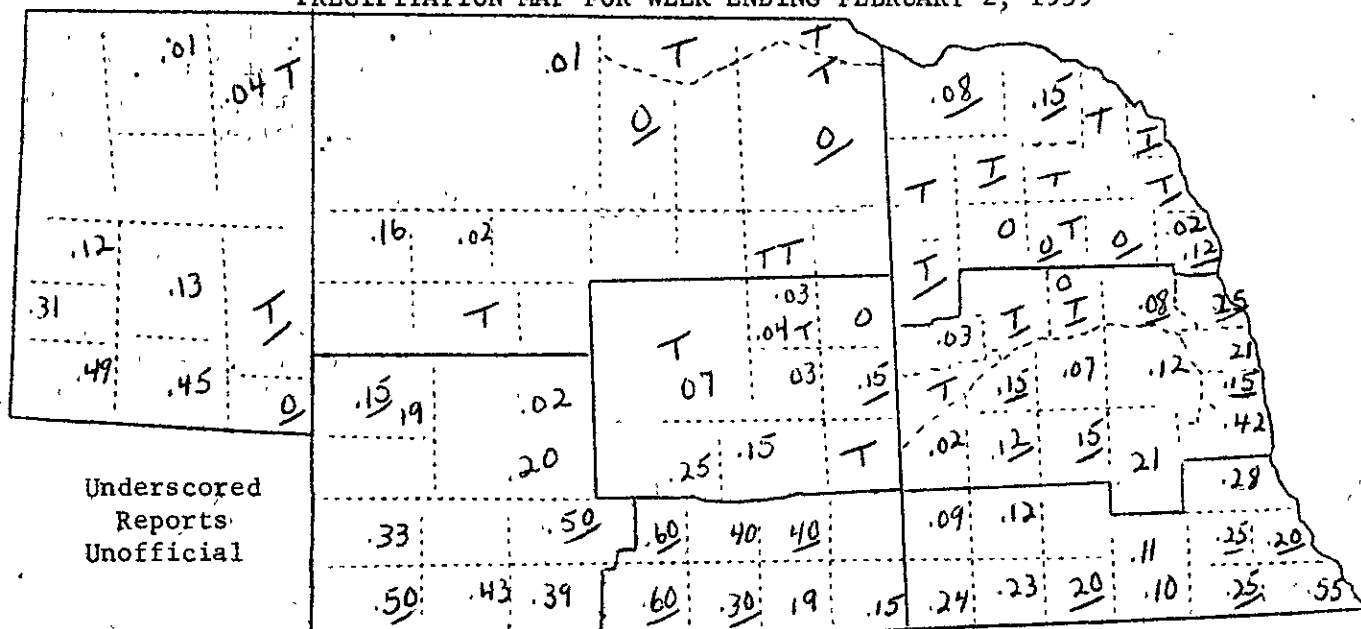
Farmers are lining up seed and fertilizer supplies and making plans for the 1959 crop season. Many are taking soil samples and getting seed tested. Outdoor work was slowed a bit last week, but the usual chores and heavier feeding requirements for livestock kept many farmers busy.

LIVESTOCK Livestock condition and gains were maintained by stepped-up feeding rates. The cold weather was rough on new crop pigs and lambs. Some scattered losses are reported. Demand for stocker and feeder cattle and calves is quite strong with much interest in local offerings.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 2, 1959

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.09	Burwell	T	Chadron	.01
Lincoln	.36	North Platte	.02	Imperial	.23
Norfolk	0	Valentine	.01	Scottsbluff	.12
Omaha	.24			Sidney	.22
Sioux City	.01				

# PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 2, 1959



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:30 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:30 a.m. CST)

		January		28th		29th		30th		31st		February		2nd	
		27th		Max Min		Max Min		Max Min		Max Min		Max Min		Max Min	
NW	Chadron	32	18	50	27	51	19	34	17	25	15	27	14	27	12
	Scottsbluff	43	26	47	28	54	21	37	10	26	15	24	2	23	5
	Sidney	35	10	41	20	50	20	35	10	25	11	23	0	18	6
NC	Burwell	23	9	44	16	48	17	21	2	20	11	20	1	24	9
	Valentine	23	7	48	23	53	11	22	10	19	9	24	-1	27	8
NE	Norfolk	20	16	38	21	39	19	34	3	21	7	15	6	23	5
	Sioux City	20	8	35	20	40	22	36	5	21	6	15	6	19	-1
Cen	Grand Island	22	15	34	23	40	21	21	3	23	13	15	-7	18	-1
EC	Lincoln	25	20	28	25	37	34	35	8	24	12	16	1	16	0
	Omaha	21	8	29	21	39	32	33	5	20	7	10	-3	14	-3
SW	Imperial	36	1	44	19	53	23	32	10	26	13	17	-8	18	10
	North Platte	33	8	48	19	54	22	32	9	25	15	20	-3	20	12

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